

HITACHI COMMUNITY MEETING NOTICE JUNE 30, 2004 6:30 – 8:00PM SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY & SENIOR CENTER 5585 COTTLE ROAD, SAN JOSE

June 15, 2002

Dear Neighbor:

Hitachi Global Storage Technologies (GST) in conjunction with Councilmember Forrest Williams and the City of San Jose Planning Department and Economic Development Department would like to invite you to a community meeting regarding the proposed master planning for Hitachi GST's property located at 5600 Cottle Road. This meeting is the first of several community meetings that will be held during the planning process. As noted above, the meeting will be held on June 30, 2004 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at the Southside Community & Senior Center.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide an overview of the initial plan for the property as well as the planning process, and to gather input from the community.

By way of background, the Cottle Road facility was originally purchased by IBM in 1955. In 2003, Hitachi GST was formed as a result of a strategic combination of IBM and Hitachi's storage technologies businesses. With a long-term goal of staying in San Jose, Hitachi requires an effective workplace plan that supports the company's near term and long range business needs. The current configuration of the site cannot efficiently support modern office, research, development or manufacturing uses that are so important in the City of San Jose.

To facilitate its objectives, on April 8, 2004, Hitachi GST submitted a proposal to the City of San Jose to amend the City's General Plan and rezone the property to allow for a mixed use project on approximately 147 acres while retaining approximately 148 acres for the redevelopment of Hitachi's research, development and manufacturing operations. Some of Hitachi GST's goals are to encourage smart growth by taking advantage of the rich transit facilities nearby, support economic development and employment opportunities, and create an innovative high quality mixed use transit oriented village with office/R&D, manufacturing, residential and retail.

If you have any questions or comments prior to the meeting, please feel free to contact Merle Gorman, Hitachi Global Storage Technologies at 408-717-5080 or Cynthia James, Morley Hunter Group at 408-356-2169. You may also visit our website at www.HitachiGST.com or send email to sanjose.site@hgst.com.